Deceased prisoner—Chengalam Muhamad.

645. Mr. P. Raman Menon.—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) how many previous convictions the deceased prisoner Chengalam Muhamad had in Travancore, British Malabar and Cochin ;

(b) was he not a K. D. of Kottayam Station ?

Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon.—(a) None in Cochin. As regards Travancore and British Malabar Government have no information.

(b) Yes.

646. Mr. P. Raman Menon.—Will the Government be pleased to state whether the Government is aware that the Travancore Government have offered a reward for the arrest of Chengalam Muhamad ?

Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon.—No.

House-breaking and theft.

647. Mr. P. Raman Menon.—Will the Government be pleased to state whether there was any difference in the *modus operandi* of the house-breaking and theft that took place in Ernakulam in 1106 and 1107 and the notorious *modus operandi* of Chengalam Muhamad ?

Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon.—The *modus operandi* in the several house-breaking and theft cases that took place in Ernakulam in 1106 and 1107 are not similar. However in two of the cases of 1106 of Ernakulam Town, entry was effected by making man-holes in the walls. This seems to be the method adopted by Chengalam Muhamad in some of the cases in which he was concerned.

Deceased Chengalam Muhamad.

648. Mr. P. Raman Menon.—Will the Government be pleased to state whether the deceased Chengalam Muhamad was a terror to the people ?

Mr. P. Nilakanta Menon.—Government have no information.

Arrest of Chengalam Muhamad.

649. Mr. P. Raman Menon.—Will the Government be pleased to state whether the Police Commissioner has received any petition from the subjects of the southern taluks of the State, expressing their sense of relief at the arrest of Chengalam Muhamad ?

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